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ENZYME CATALYZED TEMPLATE-  
INDEPENDENT CREATION OF  
OF PHOSPHODIESTER BONDS



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**EXTENSION PETITION**

Sir:

The undersigned attorney respectfully petitions for a three-month extension of time to reset the deadline for filing of a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified application from December 14, 1998, to and including March 14, 1999. As March 14, 1999 is a Sunday, the present response is timely filed with Certificate of Mailing on or before March 15, 1999. Applicants' Response to the Office Action is enclosed herewith.

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Respectfully submitted,

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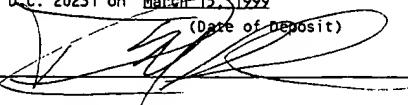
  
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